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SUBJ: IAEA DIRECTOR GENERAL'S POLICY SPEECH FOR SEPTEMBER  
GENERAL CONFERENCE

REF : IAEA VIENNA 6692

1. DIRECTOR GENERAL EKLUND RETURNED BRIEFLY TO VIENNA ON  
AUGUST 22-23 TO WORK ON DRAFT OF HIS SPEECH, PER REFTEL.  
I EXPLAINED TO HIM THAT I HAD RECEIVED NO NEW GUIDANCE TO  
GIVE HIM RE US POLICY REVIEW ON PROLIFERATION MATTERS.  
REVIEW NOT YET COMPLETE AND THEREFORE WOULD PROBABLY NOT BE  
REFLECTED IN US SPEECH AT GENERAL CONFERENCE. WHEN HE EXPRESSED  
CONCERN, I GAVE HIM COPY OF SECRETARY KISSINGER'S TESTIMONY  
(STATE 163338) TO SHOW US INTENTIONS AND PLANS. EKLUND REMINDED  
ME AGAIN, AS HE HAD ON JULY 9 (IAEA VIENNA 6175), THAT THERE  
WAS LITTLE HE OR IAEA COULD DO TO BOLSTER NON-PROLIFERATION  
CAUSE UNTIL THE BIG POWERS HAD SPOKEN. HE RECEIVED SOME REASSUR-  
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ANCE FROM SECRETARY'S TESTIMONY BUT HOPED THAT US WOULD SPEAK

WITH A STRONG VOICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND GET THE SOVIETS TO DO LIKEWISE. UK REP JACKSON TOLD US LATER THAT DG HAD SPOKEN TO HIM IN SAME VEIN.

2. EKLUND STRESSED THAT AGENCY MORALE AND SENSE OF PURPOSE WAS SUFFERING SINCE THE INDIAN EXPLOSION AND IT WOULD TAKE STRONG ACTION BY MMEBER STATES TO REVERSE THE PROCESS. HE SAID THIS WAS PARTICULARLY TRUE IN THE SAFEGUARDS FIELD ALTHOUGH THE FEELING OD DRIFT SPILLED OVER AS WELL INTO OTHER ASPECTS OF THE AGENCY'S WORK. INTERESTINGLY, INSPECTOR GENERAL ROMETSCH MADE THE SAME COMMENT WITH RESPECT TO AGENCY'S SAFEGUARDS IN A RECENT SEPARATE CONVERSATION, STRESSING THAT THE ADMINISTRATION OF AGENCY SAFEGUARDS WAS BOUND TO SUFFER MALAISE UNTIL A NEW SENSE OF DIRECTION WAS INSTILLED IN THE SAFEGUARDS STAFF BY A VIGOROUS REASSERTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE NPT BY THE MAJOR MEMBER STATES.

3. COMMENT: I ASSURED EKLUND THAT THE QUESTION WAS NOT ONE OF LACK OF PURPOSE WITH RESPECT TO OBJECTIVE ON NON-PROLIFERATION ON THE PART OF THE USG, BUT RATHER ONE OF TIMING AND TACTICS. I FELT THAT HE WOULD NOT BE DISAPPOINTED WITH THE RESULTS OF THE US POLICY REVIEW WHEN CONCLUDED. IN THE MEANTIME I HOPED HE WOULD NOT FEEL OR EXPRESS ANY DOUBTS WITH RESPECT TO US SERIOUSNESS IN THIS MATTER. HE IS, NONETHELESS, SPEAKING THE TRUTH WHEN HE REFERS TO AGENCY'S SINKING MORALE IN THE SAFE-GUARDS AREA. AGENCY STAFF NOW FINDS ITSELF ON THE DEFENSIVE, AND MISSION IS CONCERNED THAT THIS COLD IN TIME LEAD TO A SLOW EROSION OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE SAFEGUARDS REGIME. IT WOULD BE HELPFUL, EVEN THOUGH OUR POLICY REVIEW MAY NOT RESULT IN PUBLIC DISCLOSURE UNTIL A LATER DATE, IF AMBASSADOR TAPE COULD, BEFORE GENERAL CONFERENCE CONVENES ON SEPT 16, GIVE EKLUND A RATHER THOROUGH BRIEFING ON GENERAL THRUST OF US POLICY AND PLANS WHICH WE EXPECT EMERGE FROM POLICY REVIEW EXERCISE. SIMILAR BRIEFINGS FOR SELECTED KEY DELEGATIONS WOULD ALSO BE DESIRABLE. PORTER

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